

REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE OF VISITORS,
OF THE
LUNATIC ASYLUM,

FOR THE COUNTIES OF
Bedford, Hertford, & Huntingdon,

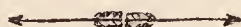
CALLED THE
“THREE COUNTIES ASYLUM,”

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1862.

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WITH APPENDICES.
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THREE COUNTIES ASYLUM,

NEAR ARLESEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.

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1863.

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Three Counties Asylum.

*To Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the
United Counties of Bedford, Hertford, and
Huntingdon, in Quarter Sessions assembled.*

REPORT.

In presenting their Third Annual Report, the Committee of Visitors of the Three Counties Asylum, are glad to be able to state, that the condition of the Asylum has been very satisfactory during the past year.

The Officers have worked in unison together, and having been well supported by the Attendants and Servants, they have succeeded in keeping up the high character of the Asylum.

The number of Patients at the date of the Report for the last year, were—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
From Bedfordshire	77	80	157
„ Hertfordshire	92	120	212
„ Huntingdonshire	34	44	78
„ Borough of Bedford	7	5	12
	<hr/> 210	<hr/> 249	<hr/> 459

To day the numbers are as follows :—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
From Bedfordshire	80	81	161
„ Hertfordshire	105	127	232
„ Huntingdonshire	34	42	76
„ Borough of Bedford	8	9	17
	<hr/> 227	<hr/> 259	<hr/> 486

Shewing an increase compared with last year of 27.

Should this continue at the same ratio, the Asylum, which was only built to contain 504 Patients, will be full before the conclusion of another year, and further accommodation will be required. But in the meanwhile, as the number of the Females so greatly exceeds that of the Males, the Committee have decided upon appropriating a room now on the Male side, which can without difficulty be shut off from that department, to the use of the Female Patients, it is situate on the second story and will hold 12 beds, this, and some slight changes elsewhere, will give a total of 275 beds for Female Patients.

The number of Patients discharged during the year, have been—

Males	23
Females	28
	<hr/>
	51
	<hr/>

The number now out on trial, are—

Males	3
Females	5
	<hr/>
	8
	<hr/>

The number of deaths in the year, has been—

Males	28
Females	27
	<hr/>
	55
	<hr/>

being a mortality of 10.7 per cent upon the total number of Patients.

This large number, is, as the Committee reported last year, partly caused by the many old, sick, and imbecile Patients, who are continually sent to the Asylum to die in the Infirmary, to which they are at once admitted on reception.

The following statement gives the particulars of several Patients of this class, who have been admitted during the past year—

M. T., aged 73,—admitted Jan. 11, died on the 22nd, never left his bed.

C. R., aged 34,—admitted March 8, died on the 29th, Pulmonary Consumption.

J. W., aged 78,—admitted May 20, died June 16, never left his bed.

J. M., aged 22,—admitted Sept. 23, died Oct. 11, last stage of Pulmonary Consumption.

H. E.,—admitted Jan. 18, died February 2nd, Disease of the Heart.

R. B.,—admitted June 21, died June 23, Exhaustion after Mania.

W. G.,—admitted Sep. 23, died Oct. 5, Exhaustion after Mania.

W. H.,—admitted Dec. 6, died Dec. 15, Disease of the Heart.

The Health of the Patients has been very satisfactory.

The numbers employed during the year; the Males in the farm and garden, and in the workshops, the Females in the kitchen, the laundries, and wash-houses, including those who are daily engaged in needlework in the several day rooms, are—

Males	126
Females	159
Total	<hr/> 283 daily average. <hr/>

This includes those engaged in the painting of the day rooms and corridors on both sides of the Building, which has been steadily progressing during the year, and their appearance and cheerfulness have been greatly improved. In addition to this, the men have been employed in levelling and planting the grounds around the Main Building, and they have also set out and levelled a capital cricket ground on the south east front of the Asylum, and during the last summer that game has been a source of amusement, not only to the players, but to a large number of the Patients, who, unable to take part in the game, have thronged the two large airing courts and cheered every good hit or run.

Besides the usual entertainments at Midsummer and Christmas, and the fortnightly balls, (in which both sexes unite,) and which give great pleasure and are attended by much good, the Committee last winter sanctioned the attempt to get up private theatricals; the performers being some of the Officers and Attendants. The Audience,—a selected number of Patients, viz:—about 50 Males, and 120 Females, and the Chairman and those Visitors who were able to attend, with some of the neighbouring Justices.

The getting up of the pieces and painting the scenes was a useful recreation to the former, during the leisure hours of their long winter evenings, and the quiet demeanour and pleasure of the Patients was most interesting.

It was altogether so successful that the Committee intend to repeat the performances during the present winter.

At the recommendation of the Chaplain, an increase of 182 volumes has been made to the Lending Library, which as will be seen from his Report continues to be greatly appreciated, the present number of volumes is 516.

Bagatelle boards and other amusements, such as Draft boards, are being gradually introduced into the Wards.

Large walking parties are organized when the weather permits, and the change of scene is enjoyed by the Patients.

On the 14th July last, two of the Commissioners in Lunacy, R. W. S. LUTWIDGE, and ROBERT NAIRNE, Esquires, visited the Asylum, and wrote the following Report in the book kept for that purpose.

“HERTS., BEDS., AND HUNTS. ASYLUM.,
“14th. July, 1862.

“The Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, since the visit of our
“Colleagues, 7th June, 1861, have been as follows:—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Admitted	74	76	150
Discharged, recovered	15	30	45
Died, (all from ordinary causes)	30	32	62
The Patients now on the books, are—	223	251	481

“At the time of our visit two Female Patients were absent on trial.

“During our visit two Patients, (one of each sex,) not included in the
“above, arrived. Both were decidedly insane.

“The Sanitary condition of the Asylum appears to be good, the Patients
“last registered as under medical treatment, being as follows:—

Males.		Females.	
Mania	1	Paralysis.....	1
Paralysis	3	Pulmonary Consumption.	2
Heart Disease...	1	Scrofula	1
Debility	7	Cancer	1
		Debility	7

“In reference to the subject of health, it is satisfactory to report that
“there has not been in the Asylum since its opening, any disease of an
“epidemic character.

“We are informed by Mr. Denne, that the general condition and habits
“of the Patients of the worst class, removed to the Asylum from Bedford,
“have been materially improved by the change.

“ According to the last Ward Returns, the Patients usefully employed,
“ were—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
	128	169	297
The Chapel attendance yesterday was	111	84	195

“ It appears by the Medical Journal, which is carefully kept, that the
“ cases of seclusion, which are in most instances for very short periods, are,
“ on the Female side, nearly four times as many as on the Male, it further
“ appears that about three fourths of the whole are cases of epilepsy.

“ With a few exceptions in the lower Female Ward, we found the Patients
“ tranquil and orderly. Their personal condition as to clothing and other-
“ wise, reflected credit on the Attendants.

“ We are glad to record that no special dresses are provided, as in most
“ other Asylums, for Patients of destructive propensities, such Patients
“ are supplied with old clothes, which they may tear up if they please.
“ At the same time they are allowed extra bread throughout the day, and
“ also in some cases at night. The results of the treatment adopted, is
“ stated to be a speedy cessation of the habit.

“ The system of Night Watch continues, as we are informed, to work
“ beneficially. There are in each division two Attendants specially engaged
“ for that purpose, who are on night duty for a fortnight, and during alter-
“ nate fortnights, engaged by day in the Infirmarys, which are also the
“ Reception Wards.

“ We are enabled to report most favourably of the cleanliness and good
“ order of the Asylum in all its departments.

“ Good progress has been made, especially in the Male division, in paint-
“ ing and colouring the walls. We trust that no unnecessary delay will
“ take place in carrying out to completion these essential works, and also in
“ introducing into the several Day Rooms and Corridors, more objects of
“ interest and furniture of a domestic kind.

“ Rules for the guidance of the Steward, Assistant Clerk & Storekeeper,
“ and Assistant Matron have been drawn up as suggested at the last visit.

“ The supply of Books and Periodicals is reported now to be ample, their
“ issue and distribution throughout the Wards in succession, are regulated
“ by the Chaplain.

“ Since the last visit, many Wards have been further fitted up and Settees
“ placed in the Dormitories.

“The Weekly Charge continues at 10s.

“Owing to the preponderance of numbers on the Female side, a large Dormitory on the third floor of the Male division is about to be appropriated to Female Patients.

“The extreme Day Rooms and Dormitories in the Infirmaries have been transposed.

“A Dining Day Room is much needed in connexion with the Laundry.

“Mr. Denne the Medical Superintendent, is evidently most active and successful in his management of Asylums. We have pleasure also in recording our favourable opinion of the care and attention, to the comfort of the Patients, on the part of the Assistant Medical Officer, and of Mrs. Denne as Matron.”

R. W. S. LUTWIDGE, } Commissioners
ROBERT NAIRNE, } in Lunacy.

The Committee feel it their duty to call the attention of the Courts of Quarter Session to some of the clauses of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, viz., 25 & 26 Vict. c. cxi, intituled “An Act to amend the Law relating to Lunatics,” the provisions principally refer to Licensed Houses, and Private Patients, nevertheless amongst the alterations are some of an important character relative to Pauper Lunatics, the effect of which will no doubt tend to increase the numbers sent to the Asylum. By Section 20, no person shall be detained in any Workhouse being a Lunatic or alleged Lunatic beyond the period of fourteen days, unless in the opinion given in writing of the Medical Officer of the Union or Parish to which the Workhouse belongs, that such person is a proper person to be kept in a Workhouse, nor unless the

accommodation of the Workhouse is sufficient for his reception, and any person detained in a Workhouse in contravention of this Section shall be deemed to be a proper person to be sent to an Asylum, within the meaning of Sec. 67 of 16 and 17 Vict. c. 97, and in the event of any person being detained in a Workhouse in contravention of this Section, the Medical Officer shall for all the purposes of the Lunacy Act, cap. 97, be deemed to have knowledge that a pauper resident within his district is a Lunatic and a proper person to be sent to an Asylum, and it shall be his duty to act accordingly, and further to sign such certificate as is contained in Schedule F to the said Act No. 3, with a view to more certainly securing the reception into an Asylum of such pauper Lunatic as aforesaid.

And as an additional security for the due performance by the Medical Officer of his duty, a new form of Quarterly List is prescribed, and in respect of those Lunatics therein mentioned, as are in the Workhouse, he is required to state whether in his opinion the Workhouse is or is not sufficient for the accommodation of the Lunatics detained therein, and whether these Lunatics are proper persons to be kept in a Workhouse.

Besides these provisions there are others which enable the Commissioners in Lunacy to remove Lunatics from a Workhouse to an Asylum.

By Section 31, where upon the Visitation of any Workhouse, by any two or more of the Commissioners in Lunacy, it appears to them that any Lunatic or alleged Lunatic therein is not a proper person to be kept in a Workhouse, they may by an order under their hands direct such Lunatic to be received into an Asylum, and any order so made shall have the same effect and be obeyed by the same persons and subject them to the same penalties in case of disobedience as an order made by a Justice under Section 67, 16 & 17 Vict., c. 97.

The same Section however gives to the Guardians of the Union or Parish a power of appeal to the Secretary of State against any such order.

Section 25 contains another important provision, which renders it imperative that the Statement accompanying the Order of Admission should contain the name and address of one or more relatives of the Lunatic, and notice of the death of the Lunatic must be sent to such relative.

Besides these Sections there are other provisions though not of sufficient general interest to require special notice in this Report.

Some difficulties having arisen on the reception of new Patients, the Committee passed the following Resolutions for the guidance of Relieving Officers, and other persons in charge of Patients, for admittance into the Asylum, viz :—

1. That the Relieving Officer or person in charge of a Patient, on arrival at the gate of the Asylum, is to deliver the Order of Admission, Certificate, &c. to the House Porter, who shall without delay, forward them to the Resident Medical Superintendent, or in his absence, to the Assistant Medical Officer.

2. That the Patient shall be at once conducted to the Male or Female Receiving Room as the case may be, and shall there await the Medical Officer. NOTE.—In case of a Female, the Matron or Assistant Matron shall be in attendance.

The Committee having received a Notice that the Commissioners of the Income Tax had assessed the Land and Houses belonging to the Asylum, situate in the Parish of Arlesey, at the annual value of £120, and in the Parish of Stotfold, at £245 : 3 : 6, and also that in both cases they had been further charged under Schedule B in respect of the occupation thereof, directed their Clerk to give notice of appeal, and also to put himself in communication with the Surveyor of Taxes.

It was decided between them, that the latter should write for instructions to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, stating the objections of the Committee.

The following is a copy of the Letter in answer thereto.—

INLAND REVENUE,

Somerset House, 5th Feb., 1862.

Sir,

I have submitted to the Board your Letter of the 9th ultimo, stating that the Committee of Management of the Asylum for Pauper Lunatics, which has been built on land at Arlesey, and recently purchased by the Magistrates for the Counties of Beds.,

Herts., and Hunts., object to the Assessment to the Income Tax, which has been made in respect to the ground which is occupied and worked as a Farm, on the ground that the profits are applied to the purposes of the Hospital.

In reply, I am directed to observe, that the burden of maintaining the Lunatics alluded to, is a legal obligation upon the occupiers of the properties within the several Counties mentioned, which is discharged by means of Rates, made from time to time on the properties. And I am to add, that as the effect of the application of the profits of the Farm, is to relieve the occupiers from a part of this liability, the Law does not authorize a claim to exemption in respect of such Taxes.

(Signed,) T. SARGENT.

Addressed to

The Surveyor of Taxes,
Bedford.

While attending to the daily management of the Asylum, the Committee have had many important matters before them.

In the last Report the Committee alluded to the subject of the outfall of the Drainage of the Asylum as one of great difficulty, and that they had found it necessary to consult MR. STEPHENS, C. E., of Leicester, upon it.

The difficulty arose from the Parochial Authorities of the Parish of Arlesey, who, while on the one hand, complaining that their springs and wells were adulterated by the sewerage from the Asylum, refused on the other to allow the Drain to be carried under the road leading from Hitchin to Arlesey Village, and so into an existing Culvert under the Great Northern Railway, which would have effectually carried off the water.

A long correspondence followed, various plans were suggested by MR. STEPHENS, and rejected by the Parish, who eventually referred the matter to the Biggleswade Board of Guardians, who acting in their capacity as the Local Authority under the Nuisances Removal Act, served the Committee with notices under that Act. The Committee meanwhile had not been idle: by advice of MR. STEPHENS, they adopted a plan for deodorizing the sewerage, which has proved very successful.

They have also under his superintendence, erected a pump with a system of pipes, by means of which they can distribute the sewerage in the shape of liquid manure over a considerable proportion of the Farm and Garden, thus, not only abating the nuisance, but using the sewerage as a valuable manure. The cost of this has been £363.

When the works were nearly completed, a Deputation from the Biggleswade Board of Guardians visited the Asylum by appointment, and were there met by the Committee of Visitors.

They minutely examined the outfall of the Drainage, and the whole plan for deodorizing the sewerage, and distributing the liquid manure over the Lands. They afterwards made a Report to the Board, of which the following is a copy.

To the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Biggleswade
Union.

Sir,

The Committee of Guardians appointed to inspect the Works, in connection with the Drainage of the Three Counties Asylum, having met for that purpose on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of July last, beg to report as follows, viz :—

“That the Parish of Arlesey has had great cause of complaint, and has been put to much inconvenience by the Sewerage of the Asylum being brought to the Village, and allowed to stagnate in a pond, or to make its way through an open ditch to the River, there is also reason to suppose, that by an occasional overflow of Sewerage in the direction of the springs which supply the Parish wells, the water has on several occasions been tainted and rendered unfit for use. The Committee are of opinion, that this annoyance has been mainly attributed to the incomplete state of the Works connected with the Drainage; these Works have been very recently finished, and the Committee think a fair trial ought to be given them, and as a great proportion of Sewerage is now conveyed by pipes to various parts of the Asylum land, a very small quantity will go in the direction of Arlesey, and this having been first passed through the deodorizing tanks, it is expected will flow onward in an inoffensive state, but the Committee wish to express their opinion, that the successful operation of these Works will much depend on the Sewerage being regularly discharged on the land, and on the good working of the tanks.

“The Committee are further of opinion, that the surplus drainage on arriving at the point where it passes through a Culvert under the road into a pond, ought to be diverted from its present course, and carried in a covered drain to the River in as direct a line as can be found; they also beg to state, that the parish ditch, running from the before mentioned pond, crossing the main road, and passing by the back of a portion of the Village to the River, is in a very offensive state and quite calculated to affect the wells, unless the wells are emptied and thoroughly cleansed, it will be impossible to form a correct estimate of the effect produced by the new Drainage Works of the Asylum.”

Biggleswade Union,

6th August, 1862.

The supply of water has also occasioned the Committee much anxiety, the consumption of the Asylum having been greater than had been anticipated.

A thorough examination into the quantity supplied by the springs, and of that obtained from the roofs of the Asylum and out-buildings, the state of the tanks, leakage from them and from the water-closets, baths, sinks, &c., has been undertaken by the Chairman, and though his Report is not before the Committee, they have reason to believe that the supply is sufficient for the wants of the Asylum.

The Drying Room for the Laundry, mentioned in the last Report, is not yet completed, and the Committee postponed the matter in order to ascertain the result of of an improved apparatus which has been recently erected at the Bedford County Prison, and being now assured of the successful working of the same, they have determined to erect one of this same description at a cost, including the building, of £90.

Other alterations, and repairs which have been found necessary in the gas retorts, the kitchen-range and boilers, water-closets, &c., on either side of the building, have been completed or are in course of being so, and the paper-hanging of the Superintendent's house and the apartments

of the Officers, which was necessarily, from the state of the walls left undone by the Building Committee, has also been finished.

The Committee have been so well pleased with the merits of their Assistant Medical Officer, MR. WILLIAM RHYS WILLIAMS, that in the summer they raised his salary from £80 to £100 per annum.

He is however now a candidate for the more important office of Assistant Medical Officer of Bethlehem Asylum, and should he be successful, the Committee will appoint an Officer to succeed him at £80 per annum.

The management of the Farm and Garden has the constant attention of the Committee. A special Report with the results of the past year and the Accounts will be annexed to the Report, in Appendix E.

To the Annual Reports of the Resident Medical Superintendent Appendix A, and that of the Chaplain Appendix B, the Committee would claim the attention of the three Courts of Quarter Sessions.

The various Accounts for the past year will be presented at Easter Quarter Sessions, but in the meantime the Committee are happy to be enabled to announce their intention to reduce from the 1st January next the rate of maintenance

from 10s., (at which it has stood since March 1861,) to 9s. 6d., and they trust that the contracts next year may be such as to enable them shortly to make a further reduction.

The Committee cannot conclude their Report, without alluding to the great loss they have had in common with all who knew or were acquainted with him, in the sudden death of THOMAS MILLS, Esq., one of the Visitors for the County of Hertford.

(Signed on behalf of the Committee,)

MARLBOROUGH PRYOR,
Chairman.

December 16th, 1862.

APPENDIX
[A]

REPORT

OF THE

RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Committee of Visitors of the Three Counties Asylum.

THREE COUNTIES ASYLUM,
February, 1863.

GENTLEMEN,

It gives me great pleasure to submit to you my third Annual Report, as I am enabled to speak satisfactorily of the state of the Asylum.

During the year, 144 Patients have been admitted,—73 Males, and 71 Females; many were of so unfavorable a character from physical disease, that no hope could be entertained of their restoration to health, and several were brought to the Asylum in almost a dying state.

On the 31st of December last year, (1861,) there were in the Asylum, 460 Patients,—212 Males and 248 Females; at this time there are 492—231 Males and 261 Females, (shewing an increase of 32.) The average number resident has been 476.

The Discharges have been 56,—24 Males and 32 Females, 52 recovered, one was removed to another Asylum, and the remainder being to a certain extent relieved were taken charge of by their friends.

The Mortality, as might be expected from the state in which many were admitted, has been large. The diseases being Pulmonary Consumption 11 cases, Paralysis 15, General Debility 12, Epilepsy 8, Disease of the Heart 5, Exhaustion after Mania 4, Cancer 1.

The casualties worthy of mention have been two; first, a man sixty-nine years of age, slipped down the slope in the Airing Court, and fractured the neck of the thigh bone; being a feeble Patient with disease of the heart, he survived the accident only 28 days. The second, a female, (whose ill state of health had been reported to her friends,) being very restless at her dinner was put into a single room, where she contrived, by taking out one of the panes, to climb up to the opening in the window, 9 feet from the floor, squeeze herself through it,—a space of only 15 inches, by $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches—and throw herself into the airing court, 23 feet below; when picked up she was perfectly sensible, and appeared simply bruised on the left temple and hip. From this moment all her previous delusions left her; she was calm, quiet, and submissive, but at the end of three months sunk from general debility.

The health of the Patients, generally, has been good, no epidemic having prevailed.

The Employment of the Patients in every department of the Asylum stands pre-eminent for its usefulness to the Institution and advantage to the Patients. The want of proximity to a town, for the assistance of tradesmen, is met by having Attendants skilled in every branch of mechanics; the Patients thus having the advantage of occupation in their own legitimate calling. All the engineers', smiths', bricklayers', plasterers', painters', etc. works are carried out conjointly by them.

The Furniture and Fittings are not only kept in thorough repair, but many new articles have been made; a large number of the colored pictures from the Illustrated London News, have been framed by a Patient. The horse hair mattresses have been repicked and filled,—those on the Male side by an Attendant and Patients,—and those on the Female side by Patients only.

The Labor of the Farm and Garden has been cheerfully performed by the Patients and their Attendants, and ere long the profits of their exertions will doubtless be made manifest. It will not be out of place to mention the benefits of such an occupation on those that have been discharged, whose hands, inured to the tool, have on their return to their families, gladly set to work and earned an honest livelihood; while some on the other hand, from either want of inclination or habitual idleness in the Asylum, have been obliged to seek a home in the Union, or become an incumbrance to a family barely able to subsist.

The external appearance of the Asylum now bears another aspect, the laying down in grass of the Cricket Ground, the Lawns; and the Airing Courts, the transplanting to the south from the over-crowded plantations, with the addition of the shrubs and evergreens which were purchased from the grant you made for this purpose, have done much to add to the cheerfulness of the view.

Every available opportunity has been caught at for the diversion and amusement of the Patients,—the fortnightly dances are continued throughout the winter as on former years,—the Male Patients, without restriction, if they are able, take a walk into the country on Sunday afternoon.

Those whose friends are within reach, are occasionally allowed to spend the day with them. The Female Patients take a walk into the country once or twice a week.

Amongst the Amusements for the Patients, the Amateur Theatricals have this year taken a prominent part, owing to the combined efforts of both Officers and Servants; the pieces performed have proved most successful, giving great enjoyment to both Visitors and Patients.

Farces of broad character, suited to the capacity of the greater part of the audience, were selected; and few present, who witnessed the genuine enjoyment of the Patients, could doubt the benefit of such entertainments.

Cricketing during the summer evenings has also proved a great source of healthy recreation, the position of the ground affording most of the inmates an opportunity of being spectators, if unable to join in the active part of the game.

The principle of combining labour with amusement is now happily no novelty ; and though in a large majority of cases, recovery is not to be looked for, the number of the insane thus kept forgetful of their ills, and enjoying a large share of happiness, is immensely increased.

Two Patients made their escape, one made his way to Cambridge, and the other to Wellingborough, both were brought back within the prescribed time.

In November, a pregnant woman was admitted, and in December she gave birth to a healthy female child. She had perfectly recovered prior to her confinement, apparently ; but some neglect on the part of her husband taking her away, caused a relapse.

The Commissioners in Lunacy visited the Asylum in July, and left a favorable record of their visit.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,

Your obedient faithful Servant,
WILLIAM DENNE.

APPENDIX

[B]

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN.

To the Committee of Visitors of the Three Counties Asylum.

GENTLEMEN.

My Report of this year closely resembles the one which I had the honor to lay before you the last year. The main difference between them is this; that I am able now to show a deeper appreciation of the spiritual privileges accorded to all connected with the Asylum,—a matter, which, I am assured, is most acceptable to you, and for which I myself cannot be too thankful.

The only interruptions that have occurred in my duties, have been the month's absence, which you kindly granted me in July, and a week later in the year, when I was unable to attend at the Asylum through indisposition. At these times, my place was kindly supplied on the week day by the Resident Medical Superintendent, and on the Sunday by neighbouring Clergy, first approved by you.

The average attendance of Male Patients at Chapel has been much the same as last year: but the annexed table will show an increase of Female Patients. I feel sure that there are but very few who stay away voluntarily: and those who come, testify by their devotional behaviour throughout the whole service that it is a delight to them to be present. Their quietude and attention have been much remarked upon by those who have

officiated for me in my absence. Besides the Patients and the suitable number of Attendants on each side, there are Attendants wives and families living upon the Estate, and others employed at the Asylum, who have the privilege of attending Chapel: so that their are present altogether at our Sunday Morning Service about 250, and at the Evening 190.

I am thankful that I am able to report most satisfactorily of the increasing number of Communicants. Both the Patients and Attendants have a good example set them in this respect by the Officers, all of whom, without one exception, have been most regular in their attendance at Communion. The annexed table will show to you, that the highest number, which have communicated during the last year, attended on Easter Day, when the Patients numbered 31, the Officers and families 13, and the Attendants 8, making a total of 52. There have been seven celebrations during the year. The new communicants since my last Report, number 20 Patients and 5 Attendants. Since the number has grown so large, and consequently the time occupied in the celebration somewhat long for the Patients, the Resident Medical Superintendent suggested that I should shorten the service, which I do by having no Sermon in the morning of Communion Sundays.

I continue to pursue the same method in my Bible and Singing Classes, as I have reported to you before; and the growing number of those, who attend, shows that it is appreciated by the Patients. You will perceive an increase in the attendance nearly every month. I have given in my table the number of names on the books, considering this to be a more fair test as to their due estimation of these classes; for I have discovered that, after they have once attended, nothing but reasonable hindrance, generally speaking, keeps the greater part of them from attending again. A suitable number of Attendants are present at each class, and everything is done orderly and without interruption. The Singing Class is confined to Sacred Music as heretofore, being a practice in the hymns, etc., which we are about to sing on the following Sunday.

I still distribute the Lending Library once a week. My returns for this year of the number of books lent out, are considerably larger than last ; the total number is 2029, the average per month being about 184, (allowing for the month during which I was absent.) I have to acknowledge with many thanks the additional grant, which you gave me this year, for increasing the Library. I was enabled therewith to purchase 189 new volumes, which I procured principally from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, the National Society, and the Religious Tract Society. These new books have been in great requisition, for there were but few of the old ones which had not been read. This addition, together with some few presented to the Library, make the total number upwards of 500. They are for the most part taken good care of ; some are occasionally lost, but certainly not more than I could expect.

The notes in my Diary show that the cases, which I have specially visited during the year, have been for the most part greatly blessed. In such ministrations, a clergyman naturally looks for some disappointment ; but I can speak from experience that it is not greater than I have met with in general parochial visitation. I can mention with thankfulness some Patients, who have been greatly cheered and comforted by the message, that I have been enabled to speak to them in their latest moments ; while others I remember with greater satisfaction, who, from being confined to their bed some little time before their death, have afforded me an opportunity of instructing them gradually, and thus, we may humbly hope, the more effectually, in the things of greatest moment.

There have been 41 Burials in the Cemetery connected with the Asylum, which are less by three than the previous year. There are always present at each Funeral a proper number of Male Attendants, and everything is done in a manner befitting so solemn a ceremony.

I have great pleasure in placing before you, the way in which the Services in the Chapel are apparently valued by the Officers

and Attendants, and others connected with the Asylum. I have held special services for these during the seasons of Advent and Lent, as before, and I cannot speak too highly of their regular attendance at these services. The evening Singing Class, which I reported to you last year as being then commenced by me for the amusement of the Attendants, is still in operation; and I have evident token that it answers the object, which I had in view.

The School, which occupies my time on Sunday afternoon continues to be very regularly attended by the children of the Attendants. Those, who come to the School, have also the privilege of attending Chapel. I am careful to see that their behaviour there is what it ought to be, so that they may not interrupt the devotion of the Patients.

Before I close my Report, I wish to thank you, Gentlemen, for the support you have given me in my office. And I would also express my acknowledgement of the continued co-operation and sympathy extended to me by the Resident Medical Superintendent and all connected with the Asylum. To this unanimity I am deeply indebted; for it renders my duties the less arduous, and I trust under God, the more efficacious.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,

Your faithful Servant,

JAMES ACTON BUTT,

Chaplain.

February, 1863.

TABLE III.

ATTENDANCE AT THE HOLY COMMUNION.

Times of Celebration.	Patients.		Officers, etc.	Atten- dants.		Total number which communicated each time.	Of the Patients attending Communion.				Number of New Communicants each time.			
							Discharged		Dead.		Patients.		Attendants	
	M.	F.		M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Second Sunday after Christmas ...	10	13	10		4	37		1			1	1		1
Quinquagesima Sunday	11	18	11		6	46						5	1	2
Easter Day	11	20	13	1	7	52						1		
Whit Sunday	13	15	8	1	5	42		2					1	
Ninth Sunday after Trinity	9	21	9	1	4	44	1	2	1			3		
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.	10	23	11	1	3	48		1	1			3		
First Sunday in Advent	10	21	11	1	6	49	1	2			2	2		1

APPENDIX

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STATISTICAL TABLES

BY THE

RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

TABLE I.

GENERAL RESULTS OF THE YEAR.

Admissions.				M.	F.	T.
Patients received and under treatment, from January 1st to December 31st, 1862				285	319	604
Moved during the time.	M.	F.	T.			
Recovered	24	31	55			
Removed to other Asylums...	1		1			
Absent on trial	4	3	7			
	29	34	63			
Died	29	27	56	58	61	119
	58	61	119			
Remaining in the Asylum, December 31st, 1862 ...				227	258	485

TABLE II.

NUMBER OF ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, DURING EACH MONTH
IN THE YEAR.

Months.	Admissions.			Discharges.			Deaths.		
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
January	8	6	14	1	1	2	2	2	4
February.....	4	5	9	2	1	3	2	4	6
March	3	5	8	2	1	3	6	3	9
April	5	6	11		3	3	3	2	5
May.....	9	8	17	3	2	5		1	1
June	5	4	9		1	1	3	3	6
July.....	11	9	20	3	3	6	2	1	3
August.....	4	7	11	2	7	9	3	3	6
September	8	4	12	3	2	5	1	1	2
October	5	9	14	2	2	4	4	1	5
November	5	6	11	5	4	9		3	3
December	6	2	8	2	4	6	3	3	6
Total	73	71	144	25	31	56	29	27	56

TABLE III.

Age.	M.	F.	T.
From 1 to 10 years	1	1	2
„ 10 to 20 „		5	5
„ 20 to 30 „	14	18	32
„ 30 to 40 „	16	11	27
„ 40 to 50 „	12	17	29
„ 50 to 60 „	14	3	17
„ 60 to 70 „	7	9	16
„ 70 to 80 „	9	5	14
Not ascertained		2	2
Total.....	73	71	144

TABLE IV.

Social Condition.	M.	F.	T.
Single	34	33	67
Married	31	29	60
Widowers	8		8
Widows		9	9
Total	73	71	144

TABLE V.

Religious Persuasion.	M.	F.	T.
Church of England.....	50	52	102
Wesleyan.....	4	8	12
Baptist.....	6	5	11
Independent	9	3	12
Roman Catholic	1	2	3
Not ascertained	3	1	4
Total	73	71	144

TABLE VI.

STATION OR OCCUPATION.

Males.	No.	Females.	No.
Labourers	26	Servants	13
Wool stapler	1	Plaiters.....	9
Whitesmith	1	Lacemaker	1
Blacksmiths	3	Dressmaker	1
Butchers	3	Sempstresses	2
Tailor	1	Charwoman	1
Grocer	1	Gipsy	1
Builder	1	Nurses	3
Drover	1	Shopkeeper	1
Waterman	1	Spinster	1
Farmers	2	Bonnet sewers	4
Tinmen and braziers.....	2	Wives of Labourers	11
Printer	1	" " Carpenter	1
Carpenters	5	" " Tinman	1
Cabinet maker	1	" " Pensioner	1
Son of labourer	1	" " Miller	1
Grooms	3	" " Gasfitter	1
Cigar maker	1	" " Sailor	1
Gardener	1	Widows of Labourers.....	2
Wheelwright	1	Daughters of Labourers.....	5
Servant	1	" " Grocer	1
Coopers	2	Poulterers wives	2
Barber	1	No occupation.....	7
Stonemason	1		
Spinner	1		
Plumbers	2		
Millwright	1		
Builder	1		
No occupation	6		
Total	73	Total.....	71

TABLE VII.

MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR.

Form of Disease, "Mental."	AGE.		Cause of Death.	Time under Treatment.
	M.	F.		
Imbecility		73	Epilepsy	
Mania	51		Paralysis	20 months
Imbecility		73	General debility	11 days
Mania	60		Disease of heart	3 years
Mania with delusions		57	Exhaustion after mania	15 days
Imbecility	63		General paralysis	19 months
Mania with delusions		69	Cancer	1 year
Mania	67		General debility, epilepsy	3 weeks
Idiotcy		28	General debility, epilepsy	
Mania with delusions		52	Disease of heart	16 months
Dementia	56		General debility, paralysis	6 months
Imbecility	50		Epilepsy	
Melancholia		62	General debility	2 years
Imbecility	44		General paralysis	6 months
Mania with delusions		63	Effusion of blood on the brain	5 weeks
Mania	41		General paralysis	3 months
Mania	74		Pulmonary consumption	10 weeks
Melancholia	66		General debility	14 months
Mania		34	Pulmonary consumption	3 weeks
Mania with delusions		63	Epilepsy	7 weeks
Imbecility	44		Paralysis	8 months
Mania	72		Disease of heart	2 months
Mania	49		Epilepsy	
Imbecility		19	Pulmonary consumption	2 years
Mania with delusions		30	Pulmonary consumption	
Mania		57	Exhaustion after mania	14 days
Idiotcy	41		Paralysis	
Imbecility		38	Paralysis	2 years
Imbecility	78		General debility	3 weeks
Mania	59		Exhaustion after mania	2 days
Mania		63	Paralysis	3 months
Melancholia		80	General debility	14 months
Dementia	51		General debility	10 weeks
Imbecility	54		Disease of heart	2 months
Imbecility	65		General debility	
Mania		67	Paralysis	2 months
Imbecility	72		General paralysis	
Mania with delusions		52	General debility	17 months
Idiotcy		13	Pulmonary consumption	14 months
Imbecility	69		General debility	8 months
Mania with delusions	56		Epilepsy	
Imbecility		33	Pulmonary consumption	30 months
Mania	22		Pulmonary consumption	11 days
Mania	57		Paralysis	12 days
Mania	58		Paralysis	9 months
Imbecility	78		General debility	2 months
Mania		72	General debility	5 months
Imbecility		41	Pulmonary consumption	2 years
Melancholia		44	Pulmonary consumption	2 years
Mania with delusions		39	Pulmonary consumption	2 years
Melancholia	38		General debility	5 months
Mania		38	Congestion of the brain, epilepsy	
Mania		44	Epilepsy	2 months
Mania	36		General paralysis	
Mania	70		Disease of heart, paralysis	9 days
Mania with delusions		23	Pulmonary consumption	30 months
Total	29	27		

TABLE VIII.

Social Condition.	M.	F.	T.
Married	16	6	22
Widowed.....	5	8	13
Single	7	13	20
Not ascertained	1		1
Total	29	27	56

TABLE IX.

STATION OR OCCUPATION.

Males.	No.	Females.	No.
Labourers	10	Servants	6
Commission agents	2	Charwoman	1
Baker	1	Needlewomen	2
Butler	1	Straw plaiters	3
Grooms.....	2	Daughters of labourers	3
Surveyor	1	Wives of labourers	5
Waterman	1	Gipsy	1
Gardener	1	Shopkeeper	1
Miller	1	Monthly nurse.....	1
Butcher.....	1	Lace maker	1
Carpenter	1	Wife of tinman	1
Cigar maker	1	No occupation	2
Brazier	1		
Cooper	1		
Basket maker	1		
No occupation	3		
Total	29	Total	27

TABLE X.

Form of Disease.				M.	F.	T.
Mania				8	16	24
Suicidal				6	7	13
with Epilepsy				3	1	4
Suicidal				2	3	5
with Paralysis				6	1	7
Epilepsy				2		2
with General Paralysis				1	1	2
with Delusions.....				13	20	33
General Paralysis.....				4		4
Suicidal				1	3	4
					46	52
Melancholia				4	3	7
Suicidal				8	4	12
					12	7
Imbecility				6	3	9
with Epilepsy					4	4
with General Paralysis				5	2	7
					11	9
Dementia					1	1
with General Paralysis				1		1
					1	1
Idiotcy						
Congenital				2	2	4
with Epilepsy				1		1
					3	2
Total				73	71	144

DIETARY TABLE.

DAYS OF THE WEEK.	BREAKFAST.					DINNER.																			SUPPER.								
	Males.		Females.			Males.								Females.											Males.					Females.			
	Bread.	Milk Porridge.	Bread.	Butter.	Tea.	Beer.	Bread.	Cooked Meat.	Plum Pudding.	Pie.	Soup.	Stew.	Vegeta- bles.	Beer.	Bread.	Cooked Meat.	Plum Pudding.	Pie.	Soup.	Stew.	Vegeta- bles.	Beer.	Bread.	Butter.	Cheese.	Tea.	Bread.	Butter.	Plum Cake.	Tea.			
Sunday, ..	oz. 7	pt. 1½	oz. 6	oz. ½	pt. 1	pt. ½	oz. 2	oz. 6	oz.	oz.	pt.	pt.	oz. 16	pt. ½	oz. 2	oz. 5	oz.	oz.	pt.	pt.	oz. 12	pt.	oz. 7	oz. ½	oz.	pt. 1	oz.	oz.	oz. 8	pt. 1			
Monday ..	7	1½	6	½	1	....	8	....	....	....	1½	....	....	....	6	....	....	....	1	....	....	½	7	....	1½	....	6	½	...	1
Tuesday ..	7	1½	6	½	1	....	...	6	....	....	...	....	16	....	....	5	....	....	....	....	12	½	7	....	1½	....	6	½	....	1
Wednesday	7	1½	6	½	1	....	6	...	....	....	...	1	....	....	4	....	....	....	1	....	12	½	7	....	1½	....	6	½	....	1
Thursday..	7	1½	6	½	1	....	....	6	....	....	...	....	16	....	....	5	....	....	....	....	12	½	7	....	1½	....	6	½	...	1
Friday ...	7	1½	6	½	1	...	....	1½	....	10	....	....	4	....	....	1½	....	10	...	....	4	½	7	....	1½	...	6	½	....	1
Saturday ..	7	1½	6	½	1	....	....	...	16	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	12	....	....	....	....	½	7	....	1½	...	6	½	....	1
TOTALS....	49	10½	42	3½	7	½	16	19½	16	10	1½	1	52	½	12	16½	12	10	1	1	40	3	49	½	9	1	36	3	8	7			

N.B.—Scale per Gall. for Porridge Twelve ounces Oatmeal, One pint Milk

" " Tea. One ounce Tea, Four ounces Sugar, One pint Milk.

" lb. for Plum Pudding.. Eight ounces Flour, One ounce Raisins, One ounce Treacle, and One ounce Suet.

Soup, for 500 Patients.....The liquor of the Meat the previous day, 120lbs. Legs and Shins of Beef, 28lbs. Peas, 56lbs. Carrots, 56lbs. Onions, 28lbs. Oatmeal, Salt, Pepper, Herbs, &c.

Stew for 500 Patients.The liquor of the Meat the previous day, 65lbs. Meat, 280lbs Potatoes, 112lbs. Onions, 11lbs. Oatmeal.

EXTRA.—All Male Patients Employed.—Two ounces Bread, ½oz. Cheese, and ½-pint Beer at 10 a.m., and ½-pint Beer at 4 p.m.

Women employed at the Wash-house and Laundry.—Six ounces Meat and Vegetables for Dinner on Mondays. Bread and Cheese and ½ pint of Beer at 10 a.m. and at 4 p.m.

Helpers in the Wards and Needlewomen—Bread and Cheese and ½-pint Beer at 10 a.m.

Snuff and Tobacco to be given as indulgences to the workers, &c.

NOTE.—On Mondays the above dietary is varied by Rice Pudding in lieu of Soup, and on Wednesdays Beef Steak Puddings in lieu of Stew.

TABLE XIII.

A RETURN OF CLOTHING AND OTHER ARTICLES MADE UP IN THE ASYLUM
DURING THE YEAR 1862.

Males.	No.	Females.	No.
Boots and shoes (pairs)	370	Aprons	708
Braces..... (pairs)	101	Bed ticks and mattress cases	111
Caps	163	Bed curtains..... (set)	1
Coats and jackets	104	Bonnets	41
Waistcoats.....	90	Boots & shoes bound, (pairs)	66
Trousers.....	81	Caps	159
Shirts	1	Carpets	15
Strong rugs	1	Chemises	476
Slops	6	Chair covers.....	26
Attendants and Servants.		Cloaks	58
Coats	55	Drawers..... (pairs)	84
Waistcoats.....	55	Gowns	575
Trousers.....	55	Handkerchiefs	803
		Hoods	174
		Night caps	17
		Night gowns.....	221
		Pinafores	221
		Petticoats	473
		Pillow cases	48
		Pudding cloths	130
		Sheets	309
		Shirts	469
		Straw hats	21
		Straw plait	14
		Strong rugs	4
		Table cloths	10
		Towels	155
		Under shirts	42
		Valences	34
		Window blinds.....	22
Total.....	1082	Total	5487

JOHN BARNES,

Steward.

APPENDIX
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ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL RETURNS,
16 & 17 VICT., Cap. 97, Schedule D.

Name of Union.	In County Asylum.		In Licensed Houses or other Asylums		With Friends and in Workhouses.		Total of both Sexes	Persons not in confinement.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		Dangerous to self or others.		Of Dirty Habits.	
								M	F.	M.	F.
<i>Bedfordshire.</i>											
Ampthill	9	11	..	..	11	10	41	..	..	3	..
Bedford	21	40	..	..	4	8	57	..	..	..	..
Biggleswade	20	9	1	..	13	14	73	..	..	..	..
Hitchin, part of ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Leighton Buz., pt. of	5	4	..	..	3	1	13	..	..	..	..
Luton, part of	18	14	..	..	7	15	54	..	..	1	..
Neots St., part of..	2	3	..	..	..	2	7	..	..	..	..
Wellingboro, 'part of	..	..	..	..	3	2	5	..	..	..	..
Woburn	9	9	..	..	6	8	32	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	84	90	1		47	60	282			4	
<i>Hertfordshire.</i>											
Albans St.	14	19	1	..	8	25	67	..	..	..	..
Amersham, part of ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Barnet, part of ..	1	4	..	..	..	6	5	..	..	..	..
Berkhampstead pt. of	6	4	..	..	1	5	17	..	..	..	..
Bishop Stortford pt of	11	7	..	..	7	5	30	..	..	..	..
Buntingford	2	6	..	..	3	1	16	..	..	..	..
Edmonton, part of ..	4	7	..	..	..	4	12	..	..	..	..
Hatfield ..	3	9	..	..	2	6	18	..	..	..	..
Hemel Hempstead ..	6	11	..	..	6	1	29	..	..	..	..
Hertford	14	10	..	..	6	11	31	..	..	2	1
Hitchin, part of ..	15	13	..	..	17	..	56	..	..	..	..
Luton, part of .....	..	..	..	..	1	7	1	..	..	..	..
Royston part of...	4	3	..	1	5	13	20	..	..	..	..
Ware	8	11	1	..	12	8	45	..	..	..	..
Watford	13	16	..	..	6	1	43	..	..	2	1
Welwyn	2	4	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..
Totals	103	124	2	1	74	93	397			4	2
<i>Huntingdonshire.</i>											
Caxton, part of....	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Huntingdon	8	15	..	..	3	6	32	..	..	..	1
Ives, St., part of ..	12	15	..	..	5	6	38	..	..	..	..
Neots. St., part of..	10	4	..	..	6	9	29	..	..	..	..
Oundle part of	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Peterboro', part of..	5	6	..	..	4	4	19	..	..	..	..
Stamford, part of ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Thrapston, part of..
Totals	37	40			18	26	121				1
Grand Totals.....	224	254	3	1	139	179	800			8	3

APPENDIX
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REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

UPON THEIR AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE

TREASURER AND CLERK OF THE ASYLUM,

(PURSUANT TO 16 & 17 VICT., CAP. 97.)

.....

To Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the United Counties of Bedford, Hertford, and Huntingdon, in Quarter Sessions assembled.

The Committee of Visitors of the Lunatic Asylum for the Counties of Bedford, Hertford, and Huntingdon, (called the Three Counties Asylum,) in pursuance of Section LX of "The Lunatic Asylums Act, 1853," hereby report that they have audited the Accounts of the Treasurer and Clerk of the Asylum; an Abstract of which is hereunto annexed.

Signed on behalf of the said Committee, this 20th day of March, 1863.

MARLBOROUGH PRYOR,

Chairman.

APPENDIX

[F]

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

ON ACCOUNT OF THE

THREE COUNTIES ASYLUM,

IN THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1862.

RECEIPTS.

FROM SALES.	£	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Produce of Farm	2262	11	1			
Produce of Garden	901	17	1			
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Steward, Sundries, viz:—						
Butter	49	17	0			
Clothing	3	15	0			
Coffins	9	15	0			
Coke	12	18	9			
Dripping	24	18	1			
Grains	37	11	8			
Lard	2	0	5			
Milk	4	11	3			
Old stores, bones, &c.....	15	10	8			
Tar.....	0	15	0			
Tubs	1	10	0			
Wash for pigs	13	0	0			
Washing	10	0	0			
	<hr/>			186	2	10
<i>From Unions & Parishes in the United Counties of Beds., Herts., & Hunts., viz:—</i>						
COUNTY OF BEDFORD.						
Amphill Union	566	6	10			
Bedford Union	1481	16	3			
Biggleswade Union	730	15	2			
Leighton Buzzard Union	250	16	1			
Luton Union	892	18	0			
Woburn Union.....	443	0	0			
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<i>Carried forward.....</i>	£4345	12	4	3350	21	

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	4345	12	4	8350	11	0

COUNTY OF HERTFORD.

Albans St. Union.....	853	16	5
Barnet Union	108	8	10
Berkhampstead	298	5	8
Bishop Stortford Union	482	2	6
Buntingford Union	228	2	0
Edmonton Union	312	9	8
Hatfield Union.....	312	18	0
Hemel Hempstead Union	530	12	1
Hertford Union	571	13	4
Hitchin Union	828	12	4
Royston Union.....	192	13	7
Ware Union.....	548	19	1
Watford Union	704	18	3
Welwyn Union.....	140	8	4

COUNTY OF HUNTINGDON.

Caxton Union	19	13	0
Huntingdon Union	605	14	6
Ives St. Union	713	9	6
Neots St. Union	419	13	11
Oundle Union	55	0	2
Peterboro' Union	299	13	6

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*From the County, Liberty, & Borough Treasurers
in the United Counties, for Vagrants, Pauper,
and Criminal Lunatics, respectively, viz:—*

Albans, St. Liberty	36	8	0
Bedford County	151	0	6
Hertford County	49	11	0
Huntingdon County	52	3	0

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From Non-Contributory Districts, viz:—

Wandsworth & Clapham Union	27	2	3
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*From the following Counties for the excess in the
weekly sums paid for Criminal Lunatics char-
geable to parishes, beyond the sums charged for
maintenance of Patients in this Asylum.—
(16 & 17 Vic. c. 97, s. 42.)*

Bedford County	14	14	0
Hertford County	20	16	0

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Carried forward£16275 2 9

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	16275	2	9			
<i>From the Borough of Bedford, viz:—</i>						
A year's rent charges to 30th September, 1862	171	3	7			
<i>From the following Counties, their respective proportions for ordinary Repairs, to 30th November, 1862, viz:—</i>						
Bedford, as per order of Dec. 16, 1861	163	12	7			
Bedford,) as per orders of	171	18	9			
Hertford,) June 23, 1862, and	244	8	7			
Huntingdon,) Dec. 15, 1862.....	90	13	7			
Building account, balance transferred.....	3	11	0			
	<hr/>			674	4	6
<i>From the following Counties, their respective proportions for Additions, Alterations, and Improvements, for the year ending Nov. 30, 1862, viz:—</i>						
Bedford,) as per order of Dec.	135	12	8			
Hertford,) 15, 1862	192	16	8			
Huntingdon,)	71	10	8			
	<hr/>			400	0	0
From Cottage Rents, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1862	52	0	0			
From the Roe Fund Account, 1 year's dividend on £225:7:4, 3 per cent consols.....	6	10	2			
From the Rent of Common Right	1	10	0			

TOTAL RECEIPTS£17580 11 0

PAYMENTS.

PROVISIONS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Arrowroot, 168lbs. @ 6d. to 15d.						
℥ lb.	7	10	6			
Bacon, 2759lbs. @ 7½d. to 8½d. ℥ lb.	91	5	10			
Beer, 25056 gals., average 9⅜d. ℥ gal.	1007	10	6			
Bread, 48590 4lb. loaves, 5½d. and 5¾d. ℥ loaf	1114	3	3			
Butter, 8442lbs. @ 108s. to 115s.						
℥ cwt.	421	0	8			
Cheese, 9781lbs. @ 63s. to 67s. 6d.						
℥ cwt.	281	13	3			
Coffee, 574lbs. @ 12d. to 16d. ℥ lb.	31	10	0			
Currants, 1276lbs, @ 30s. to 38s.						
℥ cwt.	20	7	2			
Eggs, 107¼ scores @ 1s. to 1s. 8d.						
℥ score	6	14	4			
Fish	1	2	6			
Flour, 89 sacks @ 39s. to 42s. ℥ sack	182	18	0			
Fruit	4	19	7			
Meat, 78200lbs. @ 2½d. to 6½d. ℥ lb.	1969	18	10			
Milk, 7498 gals. @ 8d. ℥ gal.	249	18	8			
Oatmeal, 24 sacks @ 42s. to 45s. ℥ sack	52	10	0			
Peas, 17 bus. @ 6s. 6d. to 7s. ℥ bushel	5	15	9			
Porter, 432 gals. @ 11d.	19	19	0			
Poultry	1	13	0			
Potatoes, 1646 bus. @ 1s. 9d. to 2s. 3d. ℥ bus.	170	16	2			
Raisins, 1736lbs. @ 40s. to 42s. ℥ cwt.	31	14	0			
Rice, 616lbs. @ 16s. 9d. to 18s. 8d.						
℥ cwt.	4	18	10			
Sago, 21lbs. @ 3d. ℥ lb.	0	5	3			
Sugar, (loaf) 1242lbs. @ 5¾d. ℥ lb.	29	10	4			
,, (moist) 11242lbs.						
@ 41s. to 43s. ℥ cwt.	212	0	5			
	241	10	9			
Tea, 2542lbs. @ 3s. 0½d. to 3s. 3d.						
℥ lb.	405	19	10			
Carried forward.....	£6325	15	8			

PROVISIONS, (*continued.*)

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	6325	15	8			
Treacle, 1054lbs. @ 2d. to 2¼d. Ⓟ lb.	9	13	1			
Vegetables.....	93	1	4			
Vinegar, mustard, pepper, salt, &c.	33	10	1			
Wine and biscuits	3	8	2			
	<hr/>			*6465	8	4

NECESSARIES.

Candles, 411lbs. @ 5s. 8d. to 10s. Ⓟ dozen	10	10	8			
Coals, 889 tons 4 cwt. @ 13s. 9d. and 16s 10d. Ⓟ ton and cartage from siding	698	9	8			
Coke, 690 bus. @ 4½d. Ⓟ bus. ...	12	18	9			
Gas, 1313000 cubic feet, average 2s 4½d. Ⓟ 1000 feet..	168	14	4			
Soap, 112 cwt. 3 qrs. 18lbs. (hard) @ 36s. to 37s. Ⓟ cwt....	209	18	5			
Soap, 956lbs. (soft) @ 46s. Ⓟ cwt.....	19	5	10			
	<hr/>			229	4	3
Soda, 49 cwt. 1qr. 8lbs. @ 5s. 6d. to 5s. 9d. Ⓟ cwt.	14	1	1			
Starch and blue.....	10	18	1			
Wood	2	0	0			
	<hr/>			1146	16	10

CLOTHING.

Caps and bonnets	18	10	0			
Calico	52	7	3			
Coburg	14	11	1			
Drabbette	0	2	9			
Flannel	30	12	0			
Gingham	15	17	2			
Gloves	3	13	0			
Handkerchiefs	13	4	9			
Jean	1	4	6			
Lawn.....	3	13	0			
Lindsey woolsey	156	5	7			
Linen.....	25	18	11			
	<hr/>			<hr/>		
<i>Carried forward</i>	£336	0	0	7612	5	2

* In calculating the cost per head, per week, £1460 : 3 : 4, for maintenance of household, is deducted from this sum, and added to Salaries and Wages.

CLOTHING, (<i>continued.</i>)	£.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	336	0	0	7612	5	2
Lining	7	16	3			
Moleskin	39	12	6			
Print	28	15	11			
Shirting Cloth	21	1	8			
Stays	12	5	5			
Stockings	83	1	0			
Shoemaking, including wages	124	10	0			
Tailoring, ditto.....	68	2	0			
Thread, tapes, cotton, buttons, worsted, &c.	62	13	10			
Wrapping	1	2	9			
Carriage of Goods.....	0	8	7			
	<hr/>			785	9	11

DISPENSARY.

Bottles	48	17	7			
Drugs ..	3	16	4			
Surgical Instruments	1	0	4			
Wine and Spirits	93	13	0			
	<hr/>			147	7	3

SALARIES AND WAGES.

OFFICERS.

Resident Medical Superintendent	500	0	0
Matron	100	0	0
Clerk to Committee and Asylum	225	0	0
Chaplain	200	0	0
Assistant Medical Officer	95	0	0
Steward.....	120	0	0
Assistant Matron.....	30	0	0

ATTENDANTS AND SERVANTS.

Head male ward attendant	36	0	0
Two male night attendants	53	0	0
Eighteen male ward attendants, from £24. to £31:4s.	494	1	1
Two female night attendants	29	7	2
Thirteen female ward attendants, from £14 to £18	230	3	8
House porter	33	0	0
Store room attendant	17	10	0
Head laundress.....	19	16	2
Three assistant laundresses, from £12 to £16	37	9	8
Cook	18	4	6

Carried forward.....£2238 12 3 8545 2 4

SALARIES AND WAGES, (<i>continued.</i>)	£.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	2238	12	3	8545	2	4
House-maid	12	0	0			
Kitchen-maid	9	18	7			
Dairy-maid	16	0	0			
Coal porter	24	0	0			
Messenger.....	1	9	0			
Gate keeper	6	10	0			
Ditto, at Arlesey siding	10	0	0			
Engineer	109	4	0			
Engine driver	62	8	0			
Clothing for attendants & servants	116	17	4			
Extra gardener	15	10	0			
				2622	9	2

MISCELLANEOUS.

Baskets	11	0	0			
Blacking and black lead	4	7	7			
Bird seed	3	7	6			
Books and publications	38	2	8			
Brushes and mops	25	12	1			
Christmas presents (patients).....	5	0	0			
Chimney sweeper.....	6	15	0			
Clocks, repairing same	5	0	0			
Coffin furniture.....	0	11	2			
Combs	16	16	0			
Cooperage	2	2	0			
Corks	0	3	5			
Disinfecting fluid	6	14	2			
Earthenware	88	10	2			
Grass seeds	4	16	7			
Gig and harness repaired	2	9	6			
Hearthstones	12	0	0			
House flannel	38	11	0			
Insurance on furniture	10	9	0			
Interest on advances	7	15	6			
Ironmongery.....	40	19	6			
Manure for plantations	2	5	0			
Matches.....	3	8	0			
Marking ink.....	4	4	0			
Music and musical instruments ...	16	17	10			
Oil, (olive and sperm)	9	9	0			
Postage £23:8:2	49	15	11			
Carriage £26:7:9						
<i>Carried forward</i>	£417	2	7	11167	11	6

MISCELLANEOUS, (<i>continued.</i>)	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	417	2	7	11167	11	6
Printing, stationery, and advertisements	66	6	2			
Railway trucks, (repairing).....	3	13	6			
Razors	1	11	10			
Rates £3:10:9. Taxes £18:16:6.	22	7	3			
Register office for servants	0	2	6			
Retaking patients.....	1	17	9			
Recreation (patients)	5	3	2			
Sand	0	4	6			
Snuff and tobacco	133	5	4			
Spectacles	3	4	0			
Sponges.....	1	1	0			
Straw for beds	24	1	7			
Sundries	5	11	5			
Travelling expenses of officers.....	14	12	0			
Twine	1	7	7			
Tythe rent charge on Asylum, &c.	8	18	8			
Waste paper.....	3	7	6			
Weighing machine	4	10	0			
Wine for Holy Communion	0	7	6			
Farm account, for work done by horses	46	7	0			
Also, keep of nag-horse, 3 qrs.....	19	10	0			
				784	12	10
REMOVAL OF PATIENTS.						
Expenses of removals.....				4	7	3
CONVALESCENT PATIENTS.						
Allowance to patients on trial				25	17	0
FURNITURE AND BEDDING.						
Bagatelle boards	10	6	0			
Carpeting	90	4	5			
Chairs	9	9	0			
Counterpanes	24	4	6			
Damask	25	11	4			
Ironing blanket	6	17	6			
Ironmongery	23	8	11			
Matting	13	15	6			
Moreen	7	6	8			
Sheeting	45	8	8			
Turkey twill	12	6	1			
Upholstery ...	18	10	10			
				287	9	5
<i>Carried forward</i>				£12269	18	0

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	12269	18	0			

ORDINARY REPAIRS.

Beart & Co., bricks	31	15	0			
Bailey, finger-plates	2	16	0			
Barwell & Co., ironfounders	328	7	2			
Davies, timber	5	5	0			
Doulton & Watts, closet pans ...	1	12	3			
English Brothers, timber.....	62	0	7			
Farm account, for carriage, &c. ...	6	19	3			
Fenn, carpenter's tools	12	14	7			
Gatward, ironfounder	4	12	11			
Great Northern Railway Company, carriage	12	8	10			
Also a year's rent of siding.....	1	0	0			
Jennings, water closets	5	5	0			
Jeeves, builder	9	7	6			
Insurance on buildings	45	5	0			
Ironfoundry Co., for new boilers .	54	0	0			
Kilpin, ironmonger	107	13	3			
Langford, mahogany	2	6	8			
Lambert & Son, engineers	36	1	3			
Millington, oil and colors	141	12	6			
Perks, chemist	2	5	10			
Prince & Co., ironfounders	1	8	2			
Steward for workmen's wages, &c., viz:—						
Blacksmith	10	13	11			
Bricklayer	61	7	3			
Assistantbricklayer	37	7	6			
Carpenter	45	0	7			
Painter	35	16	8			
Sewerage labor ...	5	17	9			
Sundry payments	21	11	5			
				217	15	1
Warner and Sons, pump, &c.	15	2	3			
Webster, gas-fittings, &c.	6	0	0			
Whittal, timber	5	0	0			
					1118	14 1

ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS, AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Davies, timber	5	1	10			
Farm account, for carriage	6	9	0			
Gatward, ironfounder	1	0	3			
<i>Carried forward</i>	£12	11	1	13388	12	1

ADDITIONS, ETC., (<i>continued.</i>)	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	12	11	1	13388	12	1
Great Northern Railway Company, carriage	1	15	9			
Kilpin, sewerage pump and works	241	3	4			
Law & Son, iron gratings	1	15	0			
Perks, charcoal	4	10	0			
Mr. Stephens, C.E., superinten- dence of sewerage works	35	2	0			
Steward, for workmen's wages, &c., viz:—						
Bricklayer	19	6	8			
Carpenter	4	1	0			
Sewerage labor ...	39	10	3			
Sundry payments	6	4	9			
			69	2	8	
						365 19 10
MAINTENANCE OF CRIMINAL LUNATICS.						
Messrs. Finch & Lush, maintenance of criminal lunatics, for the year ending 17 Dec., 1862...				252	12	0
ROE FUND ACCOUNT.						
Dividends invested in Savings' Bank				12	19	10
BUILDING ACCOUNT.						
Advance to Steward repaid				100	0	0
FARM ACCOUNT.						
Orders on Treasurer at various times during the year				1424	6	6
GARDEN ACCOUNT.						
The like				718	19	6

TOTAL PAYMENTS.....£16263 9 9

ABSTRACT OF THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
For the Year ending

RECEIPTS.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Balance in Steward's hands, 31st December, 1861	1	18	1			
Barley	215	11	0			
Bullocks	275	0	0			
Cows	54	2	6			
Pigs	361	18	10			
Pork	3	10	10			
Manure	0	5	0			
Sheep.....	368	1	6			
Straw... ..	21	1	11			
Work done by horses for the Asy- lum	224	13	9			
Wheat	449	1	0			
Wool.....	90	19	6			
Wood	0	4	0			
Sundries	0	10	0			
	<hr/>			2066	17	11
Value of produce consumed in the Asylum, viz:—						
Milk, 7664 $\frac{1}{4}$ gallons at 8d.	255	9	6			
Meat, 928 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. at 6d. to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.	23	13	9			
Wood, 10 score fagots at 4s.	2	0	0			
Apples, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels at 2s. 8d.	0	14	8			
	<hr/>			281	17	11
Rent of Common Right.....				1	10	0

Carried forward£2350 5 10

ON ACCOUNT OF THE FARM,
30th September, 1862.

PAYMENTS.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Balance from last year				37	7	3
Beans for horses	12	15	0			
Ditto for seed	10	4	0			
Carriage of goods.....	1	0	6			
Carriage of Bailiff's furniture.....	5	5	2			
Cart grease	0	7	9			
Carpenter's work	12	5	3			
Coals	4	13	8			
Commission on sales	22	15	3			
Cows	55	8	0			
Draining pipes.....	9	16	1			
Grains and wash	53	10	0			
Grinding corn	3	4	4			
Harness.....	5	2	5			
Heifers	180	0	0			
Hurdles.....	0	12	8			
Insurance	5	0	0			
Ironmongery	23	5	11			
Oats	22	7	0			
Oil cake	213	8	0			
Parochial rates.....	30	18	6			
Pigs	7	9	3			
Pollard, barley meal, &c.....	159	16	8			
Potatoes	29	5	0			
Property and income tax.....	11	18	5			
Sacks.....	0	16	3			
Sack money	1	6	6			
Seeds (grass)	15	2	4			
Seed (wheat)	8	14	8			
Sheep	477	9	0			
Shepherd's dog.....	0	8	0			
Sieves and scuttles	0	8	6			
Smith's work	13	9	2			
Soot	18	15	0			
Superphosphate of lime	19	1	0			
Straw ...	19	16	0			
Sundries	0	7	2			
Thrashing corn.....	22	12	0			
Timber	16	19	3			
<i>Carried forward</i>	£1495	13	8	37	7	3

ABSTRACT OF THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
For the Year ending

	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	2350	5	10

£2350	5	10
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STATEMENT OF THE VALUE OF LIVE AND DEAD STOCK ON THE

	1861	£.	s.	d.
<i>Sep. 30.</i> Estimated value of live and dead stock according to Mr. Street's valuation		1970	19	0
Increase of 1862, compared with 1861		50	6	6
		£2021	5	6

ON ACCOUNT OF THE FARM,
30th September, 1862.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	£1495	13	8	37	7	3
Tythe rent charges	45	3	10			
Tubs	1	10	0			
Turnpikes and expenses to market	5	10	9			
Valuation of stock	2	9	0			
Veterinary surgeon	1	5	6			
Wages, viz:—						
Bailiff	80	0	0			
Horsekeeper	41	12	0			
Cowman	39	0	0			
Ploughman	36	8	0			
Labourers and as-						
sistants	42	5	3			
Gratuity to foreman	2	0	0			
	241	5	3			
Wheelwright	11	3	0			
Wythes	0	9	0			
				1804	10	0
Maintenance account — Amount						
credited during the year	453	9	9			
Balance in Bailiff's hands, 30th						
September, 1862	54	18	10			
				508	8	7
				£2350	5	10

Memorandum.

Estimated rent of land, 180 acres at 30s.	270	0	0	}	*
Estimated labor of Patients	106	0	0		
	376	0	0		

*Not included in this Account.

30TH SEPT., 1861, AND THE 30TH SEPT., 1862, RESPECTIVELY.

	1862.	£.	s.	d.
Sep. 30. Estimated value of live and dead				
stock according to Mr. Bowyer's				
valuation	2021	5	6	
	£2021	5	6	

ABSTRACT OF THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
For the Year ending

RECEIPTS.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Asparagus	0	0	10			
Beans.....	1	15	6			
Cabbages and greens	10	17	4			
Carrots	5	5	0			
Celery	1	4	1			
Eggs	1	11	11			
Onions	131	5	0			
Parsnips	9	0	0			
Peas	0	7	6			
Potatoes	338	8	6			
Rhubarb	0	9	6			
				500	5	2
Value of produce consumed in Asylum, viz.						
Asparagus	1	5	0			
Beans, broad £6:12:3, kidney £4:8:6.....	11	0	9			
Cabbages and greens	29	4	9			
Carrots, 71 cwt. at 1s. 6d.	5	6	8			
Celery	2	17	7			
Cucumbers	1	5	3			
Eggs, 94½ scores, at 1s. to 1s. 6d.	5	12	1			
Fowls	1	14	0			
Fruit	1	5	5			
Onions, 140 cwt., at 3s. to 6s. ...	11	7	2			
Parsnips, 35½ cwt., at 2s.	3	11	0			
Peas, 109½ bus., at 2s.....	10	19	2			
Potatoes, 1664 bus., at 1s. 6d. to 2s. 3d.	169	0	8			
Rhubarb	5	11	10			
Salads	7	4	2			
Turnips, 31 cwt., at 1s. 6d.....	2	7	0			
				269	12	6
Farm account for potatoes				29	5	0
				£799	2	8

STATEMENT OF THE VALUE OF LIVE AND DEAD STOCK ON THE

1861	£.	s.	d.
Sep. 30. Estimated value of live and dead stock according to Mr. Street's valuation	1043	14	0
	£1043	14	0

ON ACCOUNT OF THE GARDEN,
30th September, 1862.

PAYMENTS.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Carriage of goods.....	11	11	5			
Carpenter's work	5	8	0			
Expenses to market.....	0	11	0			
Farm account for work done by horses, &c,.....	147	0	0			
Garden seeds and plants	7	16	9			
Ironmongery	4	19	11			
Manure 200 18 6						
Carriage of same ... 174 17 1						
	375	15	7			
Onion seed	11	5	0			
Parochial rates	12	7	4			
Property and income tax.....	4	15	4			
Scuttles	5	10	0			
Smith's work	8	2	11			
String	0	12	6			
Timber	14	0	0			
Tythe rent charges	18	1	6			
Valuation of stock	1	4	0			
Wages to head gardener	37	10	0			
				666	11	3
Credited to maintenance account during the year.....	108	16	7			
Balance in Steward's hands, 30th September, 1862	23	14	10			
				132	11	5

Memorandum.

Estimated rent, 53 acres @ 30s...	79	10	0	}	*
Estimated labor of patients	234	0	0		
	£313	10	0		

* Not included in this Account.

£799 2 8

30TH SEPT., 1861, AND THE 30TH SEPT., 1862, RESPECTIVELY.

1862.	£.	s.	d.
Sep. 30. Estimated value of live and dead stock according to Mr. Bowyer's valuation	938	3	0
Decrease of 1862, compared with 1861	105	11	0
	£1043	14	0

ABSTRACT OF MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT. For the Year ending 31st December, 1862.

		£. s. d.	
Dr.	Cr.		
To Balance from last year	By Apportionments upon the several Counties and Unions for patients maintained in the Asylum, at 10s. per head per week	1164	8 11½
" Provisions	" Farm and Garden produce, viz:—	4970	16 11¼
" Necessaries	Farm	1134	7 0
" Clothing	Garden.....	785	9 11
" Furniture.....	Steward for sundry receipts	262	9 3
" Miscellaneous expenses		812	3 6
" Dispensary		146	11 9
" Salaries and Wages		4081	0 0
		13357	7 3¾
		217	15 4¼
Balance December 31, 1862		£13575	2 8

THE ROE FUND ACCOUNT.

		£. s. d.	
Dr.	Cr.		
To Balance 31st December, 1862, viz:—	By Balance from last year	238	7 2
3 per cent consols	" One year's dividend on stock	6	10 2
Bedford Savings Bank . . .		£244	17 4
Treasurer.....			

NOTE.—HENERICUS OCTAVIUS ROE, Esq., late of Weston, Herts., by Will, bequeathed to the Bedford Asylum, £200 less duty "for the general purposes of the Asylum." In the year 1855, £180 was paid by the executors, and invested in the names of four of the Visitors, in the 3 per Cent Consols; this sum with the Interest since invested amounts to £225 : 7 : 4, Consols. It is intended to form a Benevolent Fund for affording assistance to patients discharged from the Asylum, in special cases, where the Public Rates cannot be legally applied.

ABSTRACT OF BREAD PRODUCTION ACCOUNT.

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Dr.	£.	s.	d.	Cr.	£.	s.	d.
Balance from last year.....	2	11	11½	By 48599 4-lb loaves, at 5½d. and 5¾d. ⌘	1115	19	6¼
To Cash for Flour, 600 sacks at 39s. to 42s. ⌘ sack	1233	9	0	" 89 sacks of Flour, at 39s. to 42s. ⌘ sack	182	18	0
Potatoes, 97 bus. at 1s. 9d. to 2s. 3d. ⌘ bus.	9	7	7				
Coals, 24 tons at 15s. 9d. and 16s. 10d. ⌘ ton.....	19	4	6	Balance 31st December, 1862	1298	17	6¼
Yeast and salt	4	7	6		0	15	8¼
Baker's wages	30	12	8				
	£1299	13	2½		£1299	13	2½

ABSTRACT OF THE BREWING ACCOUNT.

Dr.	£.	s.	d.	Cr.	£.	s.	d.
To Balance from last year	0	17	1	By 25056 gals Beer, average 9¾d. per gal.	970	15	11
Cash for Malt, 225 qrs. at 61s. 6d. & 66s. 6d. per qr.	733	13	0	" 1804 bus. Grains, at 5d. per bus.	37	11	8
Hops, 2689 lbs. at 1s. 7½d. & 1s. 10d.	235	17	6				
Coals, 22¼ tons, at 15s. 9d. to 16s. 9d. per ton.....	17	18	5				
Brewer's wages	20	1	7				
	£1008	7	7		£1008	7	7

ABSTRACT OF THE GAS ACCOUNT.

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Dr.	£.	s.	d.	Cr.	£.	s.	d.
To Balance from last year	0	18	9	By 1313000 cubic feet gas, average 2s. 4½d per 1000 feet	156	4	6
" Cash for Coals, 156¾ tons @ 12s. 3d. to 16s. 10d. per ton	102	19	3	" 690 bus. coke, at 4½d.....	12	18	9
" Lime	4	6	0	" Tar sold, 180 gals. at 1d.	0	15	0
" Ironmonger	1	13	1				
" Wages to gas man	59	16	0				
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" Balance 31st December, 1862	£169	13	1				
	0	5	2				
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	£169	18	3				
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	£169	18	3				
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ABSTRACT OF THE ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS, AND IMPROVEMENTS ACCOUNT.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
To Cash for sundry payments as per account	365	19	10	By the following Counties, their respective proportions as per order, Dec. 15, 1862, viz:—			
" Balance to 31st December, 1862	34	0	2	Bedford	135	12	8
				Hertford	192	16	8
				Huntingdon	71	10	8
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	£400	0	0		£400	0	0
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ABSTRACT OF ORDINARY REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

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To Cash for sundry bills as per accounts ...	£.	s.	d.	
	1118	14	1	
By Balance from last year.....				£.
" Borough of Bedford, a year's rent charges to 30th September, 1862.....				s.
" Cottage rents, to December 31st, 1862				d.
" Funerals account, balance transferred ...	171	3	7	148
" County of Bedford, order of 16 December, 1861	52	0	0	16
" County of Bedford } their respective proportions of charges, as per order, June 23, 1862.	42	0	0	11
" County of Hertford }				
" County of Huntingdon }	163	12	7	
" County of Bedford }	81	0	10	
" County of Hertford }	115	4	3	
" County of Huntingdon }	42	14	9	
" County of Bedford }				
" County of Hertford }	90	17	11	
" County of Huntingdon }	129	4	4	
" Building account, amount transferred...	47	18	10	
" Balance December 31, 1862	3	11	0	
	1088	5	0	
	30	9	1	
	£1118	14	1	

TREASURER.

	£.	s.	d.
To the amount received during the year, as per account	17580	11	0
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	£17580	11	0

	£.	s.	d.
By Balance from last year	1209	3	0
„ Amount expended during the year as per account.....	16263	9	9
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	17472	12	9
Balance in Treasurer's hands, 31st Decem- ber, 1862	107	18	3
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	£17580	11	0

ABSTRACT OF BUILDING ACCOUNT:

For the Year ending 31st December, 1862.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>	<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
To Balance from last year	211 5 9	By following payments, viz.	
Maintenance account, loan repaid	100 0 0	Draining pipes	22 2 0
		Furniture	131 16 3
		Iron fencing	73 12 10
		Paperhanging	80 3 8
		Balance, transferred to ordinary repairs	307 14 9
			3 11 0
			£311 5 9

<i>Dr.</i>	£.	s.	d.	<i>Cr.</i>	£.	s.	d.
To Unions, &c.....	68	10	6	By Unions, &c.....	99	2	8
" Bread production account	0	15	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	" Maintenance account	217	15	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
" Treasurer.....	107	18	3	" Gas account	0	5	2
" Steward	150	0	0	" Additions, alterations, and improve- ments account.....	34	0	2
" Three per cent Consols	225	7	4	" The Roe Fund account	244	17	4
" Bedford Savings' Bank	12	19	10				
" Ordinary repairs account	30	9	1				
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	£596	0	8 $\frac{1}{4}$		£596	0	8 $\frac{1}{4}$
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At a Meeting of the Committee of Visitors, held on the 23rd day of February, 1863, the foregoing Abstracts of Account were examined and approved.

MARLBOROUGH PRYOR,

Chairman.

THE RATES OF WEEKLY PAYMENT DURING THE
YEAR HAVE BEEN AS FOLLOWS, *viz* :—

	£.	s.	d.
First Quarter	0	10	0
Second Quarter	0	10	0
Third Quarter	0	10	0
Fourth Quarter	0	10	0
Average.....	0	10	0

THE ACTUAL WEEKLY COST OF THE PATIENTS
AVERAGES AS FOLLOWS, *viz* :—

	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Provisions	4	0 $\frac{1}{4}$			
Necessaries	0	11			
Clothing	0	7 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Salaries and Wages,—money ...	2	1 $\frac{1}{2}$			
diet	1	2			
	3	3 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Surgery and Dispensary	0	1 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Farm and Garden	1	8 $\frac{3}{4}$			
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	10 $\frac{1}{4}$			
	0	11	6 $\frac{3}{4}$		
Less from Receipts, <i>viz</i> :—					
Farm and Garden.....	2	6 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Miscellaneous	0	2			
	0	2	8 $\frac{1}{2}$		
			0	8	10 $\frac{1}{4}$
Average weekly cost of Household.....	0	9	9 $\frac{1}{4}$		

Daily average number of Patients 476
Daily average number of Household 59

Annual Abstract

[MAINTENANCE, ETC., ACCOUNT.]

Of the Receipts and Expenditure of the THREE COUNTIES ASYLUM, and of the Balances for the Year ending December 31st, 1862.

NAMES of COUNTIES, &c., AND UNIONS.	No. of Col- lective Days Patients have been in Asylum.	RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.					BALANCES.	
		Balances due to Counties, &c. and Unions last Year.	Amounts received this Year.	Total Receipts.	Proportions of Maintenance, &c.	Proportions of other Expenses.	TOTALS.	Balances due from Counties, &c. and Unions last Year.	GRAND TOTALS	Balances due to Counties, &c. and Unions this year.	Balances due from Counties, &c., and Unions this Year.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Albans St. Liberty			36 8 0	36 8 0		36 8 0	36 8 0		36 8 0		
Albans St. Union	11362		853 16 5	853 16 5	811 13 11	28 5 0	839 18 11	19 4 7	859 3 6		5 7 1
Ampthill Union	7846	3 4 0	566 6 10	569 10 10	560 10 7	6 1 0	566 11 7		566 11 7	2 19 3	
Barnet Union	1610		108 8 10	108 8 10	115 0 4		115 0 4		115 0 4		6 11 6
Bedford County	1095		165 14 6	165 14 6	78 4 6	87 10 0	165 14 6		165 14 6		
Bedford Union	20809		1481 16 3	1481 16 3	1486 11 6	11 11 0	1498 2 6	1 10 9	1499 13 3		17 17 0
Berkhampstead Union	3500		298 5 8	298 5 8	250 0 8	1 10 0	251 10 8	46 15 0	298 5 8		
Biggleswade Union	9881	6 19 1	730 15 2	737 14 3	705 17 10	26 2 0	731 19 10		731 19 10	5 14 5	
Bishop Stortford Union	6833	22 8 5	482 2 6	504 10 11	488 2 8	1 17 0	489 19 8		489 19 8	14 11 3	
Buntingford Union	3142		228 2 0	228 2 0	224 9 1		224 9 1		224 9 1	3 12 11	
Caxton Union	265	1 0 5	19 13 0	20 13 5	18 18 8		18 18 8		18 18 8	1 14 9	
Edmonton Union	4250		312 9 8	312 9 8	303 12 0	2 2 0	305 14 0	3 15 9	309 9 9	2 19 11	
Hatfield Union	4465	7 0 10	312 18 0	319 18 10	318 19 6	0 15	319 14 6		319 14 6	0 4 4	
Hemel Hempstead Union ..	5950		530 12 1	530 12 1	425 1 0	0 7 0	425 8 0	113 4 0	538 12 0		7 19 11
Hertford County	184		70 7 0	70 7 0	13 3 0	57 4 0	73 7 0		70 7 0		
Hertford Union ..	7931		571 13 4	571 13 4	546 12 2	1 10 0	548 2 2	5 13 4	553 15 6		2 2 2
Hitchin Union	11365	7 5 10	828 12 4	835 18 2	811 18 0	7 11 0	819 9 0		819 9 0	16 9 2	
Huntingdon County	730		52 3 0	52 3 0	52 3 0		52 3 0		52 3 0		
Huntingdon Union	8428		605 14 6	605 14 6	602 1 8	5 0 0	607 1 8	5 18 7	613 0 3		7 5 9
Ives St. Union ..	9988	5 16 9	713 9 6	719 6 3	713 10 6	3 0 0	716 10 6		716 10 6	2 15 9	
Leighton Buzzard Union ..	3154		230 16 1	230 16 1	225 6 5	1 8 0	226 14 5	4 1 8	230 16 1		
Luton Union	12184	1 19 1	892 18 0	894 17 1	870 7 7	4 13 0	875 0 7		875 0 7	19 16 6	
Neots St. Union	5846		419 13 11	419 13 11	417 12 6	1 10 0	419 2 6	7 18 7	427 1 1		7 7 2
Oundle Union	730	3 17 4	55 0 2	58 17 6	52 3 0		52 3 0		52 3 0	6 14 6	
Peterborough Union	4139	8 18 2	299 13 6	308 11 8	295 13 6	0 15 0	296 8 6		296 8 6	12 13 2	
Royston Union	2631		192 13 7	192 13 7	187 19 3		187 19 3		187 19 3	4 14 4	
Wandsworth & Clapham ..	245		27 2 3	27 2 3	24 10 0	2 12 3	27 2 3		27 2 3		
Ware Union	7228	0 1 6	548 19 1	549 0 7	516 6 10	29 0 0	545 6 10		545 6 10	3 13 9	
Watford Union	9838		704 18 3	704 18 3	722 16 7	0 15 0	720 11 7	15 6 7	738 18 2		13 19 11
Welwyn Union	1955		140 8 4	140 8 4	139 13 4	0 15 0	140 8 4		140 8 4		
Woburn Union	6200	2 14 5	443 0 0	445 14 5	442 18 5	1 17 4	444 15 9		444 15 9	0 18 8	
Totals	173784	71 5 10	12924 11 9	12995 17 7	12421 18 0	319 18 7	12741 16 7	223 8 10	12965 5 5	99 2 8	68 10 6
Compared with last year. } Increase	12262		288 6 7	281 5 2	1156 19 0		132 10 10		98 10 0	27 16 10	
last year. } Decrease		7 1 5				24 8 2		34 0 10			154 18 4

